

II. Preliminary Amendment

Please add new claims 23-28 as follows:

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23. (New) A delivery system for an anastomosis connector, comprising:

a body including a handle for applying force;

a connector holder area defined at a distal end of said body and adapted for holding an anastomosis connector, wherein said force is transferred to said area for deploying said connector; and

a non-limp geometry changing elongate section bridging between said body and said area.

24. (New) A system according to claim 23, wherein said elongate section is distortable.

25. (New) A delivery system for an anastomosis connector, comprising:

a body including a handle for applying force;

a connector holder area defined at a distal end of said body and adapted for holding an anastomosis connector, wherein said force is transferred to said area for deploying said connector; and

a control for selectively advancing a plurality of tissue engaging elements from said connector holder area, said control being separate from said handle for applying force.

26. (New) A system according to claim 25, wherein said control is mounted on a separate capsule element that includes said connector holder area.

27. (New) A system according to claim 25, wherein said tissue engaging elements form part of a connector.